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OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE OF THE 2977TH (RESUMED AND CLOSED)
MEETING OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Held in private in the Security Council Chamber at Headquarters, New York,

on Thursday, 14 February 1991, at 3.30 p.m.

Friday, 15 February 1991, at 3.30 p.m.

Saturday, 16 February 1991, at 11 a.m.

Saturday, 23 February 1991, at 10.30 a.m.

Monday, 25 February 1991, at 11 a.m. and

Saturday, 2 March 1991, at 6 p.m.

At its resumed 2977th meeting, held in private on 14, 15, 16, 23 and 25 February and 2 March 1991, the Security Council continued its consideration of the item entitled "The situation between Iraq and Kuwait".

On 14 February 1991, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Argentina, Australia, Bangladesh, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, Colombia, the Comoros, Cyprus, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, Germany, Greece, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kuwait, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Mexico, Myanmar, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Pakistan, Peru, the Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Singapore, South Africa, Spain, the Sudan, Sweden, the Syrian Arab Republic, Thailand, Turkey, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic, the United Arab Emirates, Uruguay, Venezuela and Yugoslavia, at their request, to participate in the discussion without the right to vote in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In response to requests dated 13 February 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations, in his capacity as current Chairman of the Islamic Group at the United Nations (S/22220), and the Permanent Representative of Belgium to the United Nations (S/22221), respectively, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended invitations under rule 39 of

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the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Engin Ansay, Permanent Observer of the Organization of the Islamic Conference to the United Nations, and Mrs. Arlette Laurent, Chargé d'affaires of the delegation of the Commission of the European Economic Community.

Statements were made by the representatives of Kuwait, the United States, Yemen, Cuba, Zaire and the United Kingdom. The President made a statement. Statements were made by the representatives of Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Iraq, China, Romania, Austria, Ecuador, Belgium and the USSR.

On 15 February, statements were made by the representatives of India, France, Cuba, Japan, Canada, Italy, Australia, Chile, Germany, the Netherlands, Malaysia, Yugoslavia, the United States, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the United Kingdom.

On 16 February, statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, the Sudan, Mexico, Turkey, Sweden, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Iraq, the United Kingdom, the United States, the USSR and Austria. The representative of Cyprus made a statement. Statements were made by the representatives of the United States and Yemen and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Zimbabwe.

On 23 February, statements were made by the representatives of the USSR, the United States, China, India, the United Kingdom, Austria, Cuba, France, Belgium, Ecuador, Yemen and Romania. The Secretary-General made a statement. The representatives of Kuwait, Egypt, Zaire and Iraq made statements.

On 25 February, statements were made by the representatives of the USSR, Yemen, the United States, India, Kuwait, Iraq, the United Kingdom, China, Zaire, Cuba and Belgium.

On 2 March, the President made a statement.